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FM AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6859

AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR

SUBJ: SUGAR

REF: BTN 0421

1. GOB CONTINUES TO PLAN TO SHIP 26,000 TONS OF SUGAR TO U.S.,  
APPLYING FOR 16,000 OF FCFS AND 10,000 OF BASIC WEST INDIES  
QUOTAS. BOTH GOVERNMENT AND BARBADOS SUGAR PRODUCERS ASSOCIA-  
TION (BSPA) CLAIM THAT QUALITY OF JUICE NOW BEING PRODUCED IS  
HIGH AND HAVE REAFFIRMED THIS YEAR'S CROP ESTIMATE OF 100,000 TONS  
ESPA EXPECTS TO HAVE 29-30,000 TONS ON HAND BY END OF  
THIS WEEK.

2. GOB IS EXPERIENCING SOME DIFFICULTY WITH GUYANA OVER  
BARBADOS' PORTION OF BASIC WEST INDIES QUOTA. ALTHOUGH GOB  
HAS APPARENTLY RECEIVED JAMAICAN AGREEMENT, GUYANA SEEMS  
RELUCTANT TO SHARE BASIC QUOTA WITH BARBADOS.

3. CANE BURNING CONTINUES TO BE A PROBLEM. AGRICULTURE AND  
TRADE MINISTRIES HAVE CONTINUOUSLY INVEIGHED AGAINST BURNING,  
STRESSING LOSS OF SUGAR, ECOLOGICAL AND SOIL DAMAGE AND PHYSICAL  
DANGER STEMMING FROM CANE FIRES. HOWEVER, AS LONG AS WORKERS ARE  
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PAID BY AMOUNT OF CANE CUT, EASILY HANDLED BURNT CANE WILL REMAIN

ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVE.

4. BSPA CLAIMS IT HAS APPLIED FOR 10,000 TONS OF BASIC QUOTA  
AND 10,000 TONS OF FCFS QUOTA. WOULD APPRECIATE ACCURATE READING  
OF WHERE GOB SUGAR APPLICATIONS NOW STAND.  
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